

**MINUTES**

**MONTANA SENATE  
58th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

**COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS AND LABOR**

**Call to Order:** By **CHAIRMAN DALE MAHLUM**, on March 28, 2003 at 10 A.M., in Room 422 Capitol.

**ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:**

Sen. Dale Mahlum, Chairman (R)  
Sen. Mike Sprague, Vice Chairman (R)  
Sen. Sherm Anderson (R)  
Sen. Vicki Cocchiarella (D)  
Sen. Kelly Gebhardt (R)  
Sen. Ken (Kim) Hansen (D)  
Sen. Sam Kitzenberg (R)  
Sen. Glenn Roush (D)  
Sen. Don Ryan (D)  
Sen. Carolyn Squires (D)

**Members Excused:** Sen. Bob Keenan (R)  
Sen. Fred Thomas (R)

**Members Absent:** None.

**Staff Present:** Sherrie Handel, Committee Secretary  
Eddy McClure, Legislative Branch

**Please Note.** These are summary minutes. Testimony and discussion are paraphrased and condensed.

**Committee Business Summary:**

Hearing & Date Posted:  
Executive Action: HB 410; HB 577

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EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 410

Motion: SEN. GEBHARDT moved that HB 410 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED, **EXHIBIT**(bus66a01) (HB041001.aem) .

Discussion: Eddye McClure, Legislative Staffer, explained the bill's amendments and answered questions from the committee.

Vote: Motion carried 10-0. SEN. DON RYAN WILL CARRY THE BILL.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 577

Motion: SEN. ROUSH moved that HB 577 BE CONCURRED IN.

Discussion: SEN. VICKI COCCHIARELLA raised concerns that the number "3" in the title and on line 14 of the bill be changed to "8." After discussion, it was decided to amend the bill. SEN. COCCHIARELLA moved the amendment.

Motion/Vote: SEN. ROUSH moved that HB 577 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED, **EXHIBIT**(bus66a02) (HB057701.aem) . Motion carried 9-1 with COCCHIARELLA voting no. SEN. SHERM ANDERSON WILL CARRY THE BILL.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 11:23 A.M.

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SEN. DALE MAHLUM, Chairman

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SHERRIE HANDEL, Secretary

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**EXHIBIT (bus66aad)**